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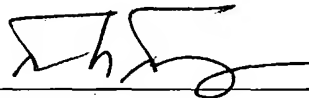
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- (1) Japanese Published Unexamined Patent Application No. (A) 10-210265 (MINOLTA CO., LTD.), published August 7, 1998;
- (2) Japanese Published Unexamined Patent Application No. (A) 2001-211315 (FUJI PHOTO FILM CO LTD), published August 3, 2001; and
- (3) Yamazaki, U.S. Patent No. 6,351,606 B1, issued February 26, 2002.

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